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CITY COUNCIL

Meeting opens with prayer in spite of recent court ruling

 **Colin Fast**
Metro | Winnipeg

Defying a Supreme Court decision and bucking a trend among municipal governments across Canada, Winnipeg City Council opened its meeting on Wednesday with a prayer.

Coun. Janice Lukes expressed sympathy for victims of the recent earthquake in Nepal and spoke about how "prayer flags" are hung throughout the country to protect people from further harm.

On April 15, the Supreme Court of Canada issued a unani-

mous ruling that the practice of opening council meetings in Saguenay, Que., with a prayer infringes on freedom of conscience and religion.

"The state must not interfere in religion and beliefs," said the court. "The state must instead remain neutral in this regard."

Since that time, several cities have suspended their traditional prayers, including Ottawa, Regina and Kelowna. Earlier this week, the Calgary and Edmonton councils voted to eliminate opening prayers and replace them with moments of silence, based on advice from city lawyers.

But Mayor Brian Bowman said Winnipeg's legal-services department has a different interpretation of the court's decision.

"Based on a preliminary review, we can keep doing what we're doing," said Bowman, who added that speaker Devi Sharma is working with administration to review the city's options.

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Airport sees spike in revenue, flyers

Business looks to be taking off at Winnipeg Richardson International Airport.

The airport reported Wednesday a \$1.3-million increase in earnings in its first-quarter results over the same period last year and saw a little more than four per cent spike in passenger traffic.

The airport said earnings rose to \$6.2 million in the first quarter of 2015 before interest,

depreciation and taxes, compared to \$4.9 million for the same period in 2014.

"We are pleased to note the tremendous growth in passengers travelling, even as capacity offered by the air carriers dropped slightly during the first quarter of 2015," Barry Rempel, president and CEO of Winnipeg Airports Authority, said in a release.

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ST. JAMES

Two condo units go up in flames



**Elisha
Dacey**

Metro | Winnipeg

No one was hurt when a fire destroyed two units in a condo complex Tuesday night on Quail Ridge Road in St. James.

District Chief Tom Stadnyk said crews responded at about 4:45 p.m. When they got there, the fire was well underway.

"They did an exterior attack,



Firefighters work to find hot spots Tuesday. EISHA DACEY/METRO

a defensive attack to knock the fire down, to make it habitable to go inside," he said. "We managed to keep it to the two suites."

Stadnyk said no one was home at the time. He said it was too early to state a cause or give a damage estimate. However, the two suites are a total loss, he said.

Stadnyk added that pumper trucks were able to get to the scene quickly, as they happened to be returning from two earlier grass fires near CentrePort.

GOVERNMENT

Oswald turns down the only job offered to NDP rebels

Premier Greg Selinger has rewarded some key loyalists and shut out some of his most vocal critics in the first cabinet shuffle since the leadership challenge he barely survived.

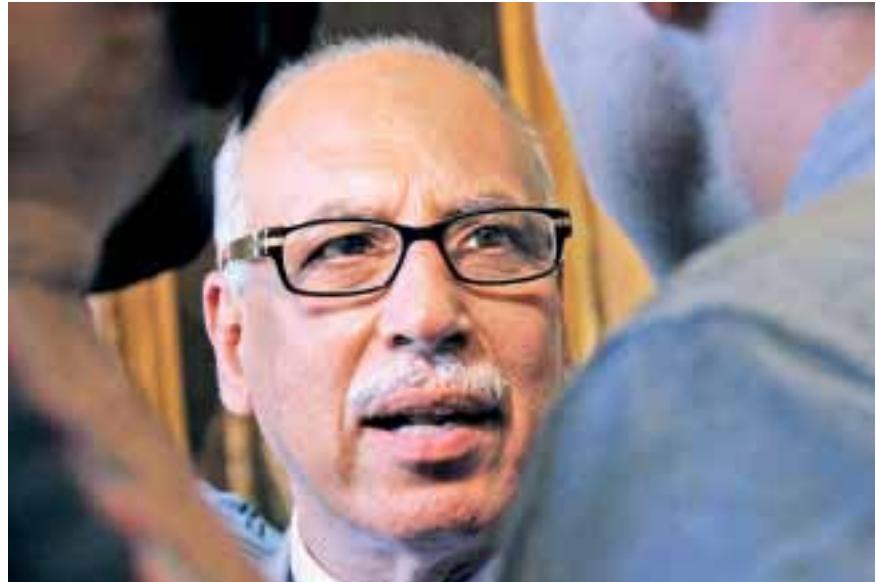
Selinger lost five top ministers late last year when they resigned, calling for him to step down. None of them are back in cabinet.

Selinger said Wednesday he didn't offer a position to any of them except Theresa Oswald, who lost the leadership by 33 votes. She turned it down.

"I deeply respect her reasons for deciding not to proceed at this time," he said. "We are a unified caucus now."

Oswald said she declined because she hasn't made up her mind whether to run again.

She and the other rebels are happy to mentor rookie ministers and are working behind the



New housing minister Mohinder Saran speaks to reporters Wednesday. As a backbencher, Saran delivered more than 100 votes to Selinger's leadership campaign. SHANE GIBSON/METRO

scenes to unify the fractured party, she said.

Backbencher Mohinder Saran, who delivered more than 100 crucial votes to Selinger's

leadership campaign, was rewarded with the housing portfolio. Steve Ashton, who also ran against Selinger, is returning to transportation and emergency measures.

Conservation Minister Gord Mackintosh moves to the justice portfolio, while James Allum heads back to education from justice. Former education minister Peter Bjornson is not running again and was dropped

from cabinet.

Family Services Minister Kerri Irvin-Ross now shares the title of deputy premier with Aboriginal Affairs Minister Eric Robinson.

Backbencher Tom Nevakshonoff, who supported Ashton and has raised the ire of flood victims by appearing to downplay their plight, was appointed conservation and water stewardship minister.

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Winnipeg Film Group makes light of its 40th anniversary

BACKSTAGE PASS

Production centre hosting forum to reflect on its film role

 **Jared Story**
Metro | Winnipeg

In true turning-40 fashion, the Winnipeg Film Group is taking time to reflect.

From May 6 to 9, Cinemateque will host Reflecting Light: 40 Years of Canadian Cinema, a national forum examining the film production centre's role, relevance and overall impact in fostering Canadian filmmaking.

Reflecting Light will feature panel discussions with Canadian filmmakers, programmers and art professionals, with such guests as Winnipeg filmmaker Danishka Esterhazy, Toronto International Film Festival's senior programmer Steve Gravestock and



Métis filmmaker Shane Belcourt's 2007 film Tkaronto is one of the films that will be screened at Reflecting Light. CONTRIBUTED

Quebec filmmaker Jean Pierre Lefebvre, an Order of Canada member who's had 11 films at the Cannes Film Festival.

The panellists will tackle topics such as the rise of film production centres and the impact of changing technologies.

Winnipeg Film Group executive director Cecilia Araneda says the turn to digital filmmaking has created a major challenge for film production centres, as people can now afford their own professional-grade cameras and equipment.

"Quite frankly, a lot of how the production centre worked was income generated through equipment rentals, and we just don't have that many rentals anymore — so what is the value of these organizations if it's not equip-

ment? That's an interesting question," Araneda says.

Other topics Reflecting Light will discuss are prairie postmodern filmmakers, Canadian women directors and indigenous views of film production centres.

Reflecting Light will also feature seminars and screenings of such films as John Paizs' Crime Wave (1985), Lefebvre's Don't Let it Kill You (1967) and Tkaronto (2007) by Métis filmmaker Shane Belcourt. There will also be a cocktail party and fundraiser on May 8 from 4 to 6 p.m.

Araneda believes there is still value in the Winnipeg Film Group, and says the production centre was instrumental in her development as a filmmaker, as it was for many others.

"Guy Maddin has repeatedly said if it wasn't for the Winnipeg Film Group he wouldn't have even known or imagined it was possible to be a filmmaker in Winnipeg. Creating that spark of what is possible is a pretty powerful thing," Araneda says.

A full pass will cost \$70. A seminar and screening pass is \$30 and the cocktail party is \$40. The panel discussions are free.

Tickets are available at winnipegfilmgroup.com.



Late last week, Six Shooter Records director of operations Sara Stasiuk, left, and president Shauna de Cartier finished the site plan for the first-ever Interstellar Rodeo music festival outside Edmonton, which will be held in Winnipeg this summer. SHANE GIBSON/METRO

Interstellar Rodeo ready to saddle up

 **Shane Gibson**
Metro | Winnipeg

Last week, officials from Six Shooter Records put the final touches on the site plan for the first-ever Interstellar Rodeo music festival to be held outside Edmonton.

And if they did their jobs right, none of the thousands of Winnipeggers expected for the August festival at the Forks will notice their work at all — they'll be too busy enjoying the music, the drinks and the food, and how easily they can access all of it.

"You have to have a progressive kind of mentality and think about where people are going to walk," explained Six Shooter's director of operations Sara Stasiuk, after she spent three hours with Six Shooter Records president Shauna de Cartier finalizing where things like the front gate, the merch tent and the food trucks will sit during the three-day festival. "It's a

giant puzzle."

Interstellar Rodeo is a "meticulously curated weekend of music, wine and food," according to de Cartier, who's now put on three of the urban festivals in Edmonton. She told Metro that choosing Winnipeg for their first event outside of Alberta was a no-brainer.

"We looked at Winnipeg because it's a big city with a good-sized population and it's similar demographically and culturally to Edmonton," she said, adding the Forks offers a great central location. "The centuries-old history of the meeting place ... I love the imagery and the metaphor of that."

With a lineup that includes Sinead O'Connor, Dwight Yoakum, Blue Rodeo, Vance Joy and Steve Earle, de Cartier expects a good crowd to come out for their first kick at the can in Winnipeg, and unless it goes terribly wrong, she plans to make it an annual event.

Wine is an equally important part of the festival, and Stasiuk is working with local wine afi-

 **BRING THE KIDS**

Admission to Interstellar Rodeo is free for children 12 and under.

cionado Ben MacPhee-Sigurdson to pair vino with each of the festival's performers.

"The idea is to enhance your listening enjoyment with a wine specifically chosen to complement that artist," explained de Cartier, who was quick to add that beer drinkers will be able to find their favourites at the festival as well.

"We haven't forgot about beer ... it's just that I built the festival for what I would like, and I like really great music, super great vibes and I want somebody to bring me an excellent glass of wine while I'm watching a concert."

Interstellar Rodeo runs Aug. 14-16 at the Festival Stage at the Forks, and tickets for the weekend or single nights are available at interstellarrodeo.com.

SPORTS

National volleyball team may leave city



**Colin
Fast**

Metro | Winnipeg

Winnipeg's only national sports team program is in danger of being bumped to another city.

The women's national volleyball team has trained here since 1991, but Volleyball Canada is taking bids from cities across the country that want to host the program following the 2016 Rio Olympics.

Halifax, Toronto, Calgary and Richmond, B.C., are all interested, but local organizers hope they can spike any effort to move the team away from Winnipeg.

"The Sport For Life Centre (on Pacific Avenue) is going to be a huge landmark for Winnipeg, and if we can have women's national volleyball be the signature team training out of that centre, that would be fantastic," said proponent



Former captain Tammy Mahon competes with Team Canada against Peru. COURTESY RUSTY BARTON/VOLLEYBALL CANADA

Michelle Sawatzky.

Sawatzky is a former national team member herself — she was part of the 1996 Olympic team — and said the training centre brings international attention to the city and has helped develop a vibrant volleyball scene in the province.

"I still get people today, 18 years later, who tell me, 'You came to my high school, you're the reason I play sports,' which is pretty incredible," she said.

At its meeting on Wednesday, city council directed the administration to explore funding options to keep the training centre in Winnipeg.

"We want to support that bid and support the Sport for Life Centre," said Mayor Brian Bowman. "I'd like to look at other organizations and other national teams we might be able to attract here in the future."

Winnipeg also hosted the men's national volleyball team from 1997 to 2008, when it relocated to Gatineau, Que.



Police hunted for distracted drivers Wednesday after Manitoba Public Insurance announced a new campaign. EVA WASNEY/FOR METRO

Distracted drivers, it's time to listen up

ROADS

MPI and police team up to stop further tragedy

Eva Wasney
For Metro | Winnipeg

Text-happy drivers now face a united front due to Manitoba Public Insurance's new campaign aimed at curbing distracted driving.

MPI announced Tuesday it has teamed up with the RCMP and police agencies in Winnipeg, Brandon, Winkler, Morden,

Rivers, Altona and Dakota Ojibway to catch and fine people using their cellphones behind the wheel.

"Anything that detracts from the task of driving is a problem," said Ward Keith, MPI's interim vice-president. "This campaign is about enforcing the legislation around hand-held devices."

In Manitoba, the penalty for using a phone while driving is a \$200 fine and two-demerit points.

On average, 28 people are killed and 58 seriously injured in crashes caused by distracted driving every year, according to MPI.

"Too many times I've had to knock on someone's door and

tell a loved one that someone's not coming home tonight because they decided to not put their phone down while driving," said Const. Chris Wingfield of the Winnipeg Police Service's traffic division.

During MPI's last three safe-driving campaigns, police issued 5,000 tickets for drivers using cellphones.

"The trick is not taking that out of the purse or pocket and putting it on the seat beside you, because then there's a temptation to check it," said Ward.

Smartphone apps that block calls and texts while driving are growing in popularity, but MPI is hoping to change that behaviour

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Distracted driving includes everything from playing with the radio to eating behind the wheel, but cellphones are the worst distractions, according to police.

permanently, said Ward.

"We are looking at that kind of technology and particularly for use within our high-school driver-education program," said Keith. "But at the end of the day, it's about changing drivers' behavior."



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Citizenship gift bags 'odd': MP

CITIZENSHIP

Adam Vaughan says 'product placement' not a sensible fit

Some got to go to an NHL game. Others got free coffee. Still more got maple syrup — or those most coveted gifts of all: pens, mugs and key chains.

The response that Citizenship and Immigration Canada provided to an inquiry by Toronto Liberal MP Adam Vaughan show the types of gifts handed out to newly minted Canadian citizens at their oath-taking ceremonies vary widely across the country.

"It's like the lottery. If your citizenship comes up during the hockey season, you might get free tickets. If it comes up in the summer, you might just get packed into a church base-

ment. There doesn't seem to be any rhyme or reason to the largesse," Vaughan said Wednesday.

Vaughan told Torstar News Service that his query stemmed from his staff attending a citizenship ceremony held at the Air Canada Centre last year and noticing the new Canadians were receiving Maple Leafs jerseys and tickets to the game along with their right to get a passport and vote.

"It just seemed odd that it suddenly had this sort of gift-bag component to it — that the ceremony itself wasn't significant enough," said Vaughan.

"There are a lot of Tim Hortons (gift cards) and maple syrup," he said.

The response also included a list of third-party sponsors as well as locations outside government facilities where citizenship ceremonies took place, including many schools,



Adam Vaughan, a Liberal MP in Toronto, was surprised when he learned that new Canadians have been receiving gift bags at their citizenship ceremonies, including Maple Leafs jerseys and game tickets.

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parks, sports arenas, museums and a salmon festival in Richmond, B.C.

"It's a citizenship ceremony, and I think it should be a fairly solemn and momentous occasion in someone's life. It just seems strange that it has been reduced to a sort of photo op, a product-placement opportunity," said Vaughan.

Vaughan said he found it especially odd given the Conservative government has spoken about the importance of the moment when defending its decision to ban the wearing of the face-covering niqab while swearing the citizenship oath.

"You can't show your culture, but corporate culture can be rained down upon you. It's a

very ambiguous set of messages that are sent," Vaughan said.

A spokesman for Citizenship and Immigration Minister Chris Alexander did not grant an interview to Torstar on Wednesday but emailed a statement saying the government wants to make ceremonies memorable.

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Adam Vaughan, Toronto Liberal MP

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LORETTA SAUNDERS

'Is that justice?'

The father of Loretta Saunders angrily condemned the sentence handed down Wednesday to one of the people convicted of murdering his daughter and leaving her lifeless body on the side of a New Brunswick highway "like a piece of garbage."

Clayton Saunders said outside Nova Scotia Supreme Court that a 10-year parole eligibility period for Victoria Henneberry was unjust given her involvement in the vicious murder of Loretta Saunders, who was in the early stages of pregnancy when she was killed.

"A small, little pregnant woman and two big monsters there murdering her, putting plastic bags over her face and

wrapping her up in Saran Wrap and putting her in a hockey bag and dumping her on the side like a piece of garbage," he said outside the courtroom.

"They say they gave us justice — 10 years. Is that justice?"

His comments followed an emotional day in court, where Judge Josh Arnold sentenced Blake Leggette to life in prison with no parole eligibility for 25 years after he pleaded guilty to first-degree murder last week.

Henneberry was also sentenced to life in prison but will be able to apply for parole in 10 years after she pleaded guilty to second-degree murder.

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Clayton and Miriam Saunders, parents of Loretta Saunders, react to the sentencing of Blake Leggette and Victoria Henneberry at Nova Scotia Supreme Court on Wednesday.

JEFF HARPER/METRO IN HALIFAX

EARTHQUAKE

Canadians in Nepal evacuated

An RCAF plane carrying approximately 100 people who survived a massive earthquake in Nepal arrived in New Delhi late Wednesday, the Canadian government said.

On board the C-17 transport were both Canadians and people from other countries, while an additional 70 Canadians have since left Nepal on commercial flights, Foreign Affairs Minister Rob Nicholson said in a statement.

The plane arrived in Kathmandu, the Nepalese capital, early Wednesday morning, carrying elements of the government's Disaster Assistance Response Team to assist in a crisis that the United Nations estimates is affecting 8 million people.

A second C-17 is also on the way, carrying 51 Canadian Forces members and supplies to be used by the response team in the aftermath of last weekend's quake.

The plane will then be used to get more people out of the country, the government says.

In 2013, more than 12,000 Canadians visited Nepal, according to that country's tourism agency, most for holidays or mountaineering expeditions.

The 7.8-magnitude earthquake, centred 80 kilometres from the capital, hit on April 25.

Nepalese police said Wednesday the death toll from the quake had reached 5,045. Another 61 died in neighbouring India, and China's official Xinhua News Agency reported 25 dead in Tibet.

The disaster also injured more than 10,000, police said, and left thousands more homeless.

In addition to the disaster response team, the Canadian government has pledged \$5 million in humanitarian assistance and is also matching donations from citizens until May 25.

Planes carrying food, shelter and other supplies have been arriving steadily at Kathmandu's small airport, but the aid distribution process remains fairly chaotic, with Nepalese officials having difficulty directing the flow of goods.

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338

Foreign Affairs has said 338 Canadians were registered as being in Nepal, but it is only an estimate as registration is voluntary.



TORONTO PROTESTERS MAKE GRIM STATEMENT Protesters in body bags demonstrate in front of the Italian consulate in Toronto on Wednesday in support of migrants crossing the Mediterranean Sea. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Killer father not replying to questions

MENTAL HEALTH

Review board considering day outings for rehabilitation

A British Columbia man who murdered his three children says it's his right not to answer questions about his request for partial freedom from a psychiatric hospital.

Allan Schoenborn wants the B.C. Review Board to give him permission to take supervised outings from a facility in Coquitlam, east of Vancouver.

On the third day of hearings at an annual review, Schoenborn objected when a Crown lawyer began questioning him.

"All my questions were answered in trial already," Schoenborn told the board

Wednesday in an outburst.

The board's chairman opted to take an early lunch break so Schoenborn's lawyer could speak with his client.

Schoenborn was found not criminally responsible for killing his three children on account of a mental disorder, with the trial judge finding that he suffered from psychosis.

He stabbed his 10-year-old daughter and smothered his two sons, who were eight and five, inside their Merritt, B.C., home in April 2008. He escaped into the woods and was arrested after a 10-day manhunt.

Schoenborn has never been released on any day trips from the Forensic Psychiatric Hospital, but his psychiatrist asked the board to consider the privilege, saying it will help in his patient's rehabilitation.

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IN BRIEF

No more library sex shows

Changes are being made to the Windsor Public Library after online sex shows were discovered being broadcast from select branches earlier this year.

The library board has decided that sight lines in branches will be improved and more staff will be in

place to monitor patrons' activity. All branches will also have stronger computer filters in place to block inappropriate websites.

Board chairman Peter Fries says the changes ought to prevent a repeat of the streaming scandal that led to a Windsor woman being charged. THE CANADIAN PRESS

COURTS

Sperm bank says no donor guarantees

A U.S. sperm bank says a lawsuit it faces from a Canadian couple alleging it misrepresented donor information is "baseless."

In a statement of defence filed in a Georgia court Wednesday, Xytex Corp. said it followed industry standards and made it clear to the couple that the information provided by their donor "cannot be verified for accuracy."

The Port Hope, Ont., couple

allege in their lawsuit that their donor was a schizophrenic with a criminal record and they were never told about it.

Angela Collins and Margaret Elizabeth Hanson allege Xytex told them their choice of donor was a healthy man with multiple degrees who was "among their best donors."

In their statement of claim, the couple allege they acci-

dently learned the identity of their donor only years after their son was born, and that through their own research they realized the man was a college dropout who had been arrested for burglary at one point and had schizophrenia.

None of the allegations have been proven in court.

Collins and Hanson are seeking damages for pain, suffering and financial losses, as they allege Xytex engaged

in fraud, misrepresentation, negligence and battery, among other claims.

But Xytex claims in its statement of defence that the lawsuit is without merit and should be dismissed.

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Nigerian soldiers man a checkpoint in Gwoza, Nigeria, on Wednesday. The town has been newly liberated from Boko Haram. LEKAN OYEKANMI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

NIGERIA

Rescued girls need psychological care

Some of the nearly 300 girls and women freed by Nigeria's military from the forest stronghold of Boko Haram were so transformed by their captivity that they opened fire on their rescuers, and experts said Wednesday they would need intensive psychological treatment.

The military was flying in medical and intelligence teams to evaluate the former captives, many of whom were severely traumatized, said army spokesman Col. Sani Usman.

He said earlier that none of the schoolgirls kidnapped from

the northeastern town of Chibok a year ago appeared to be among the 200 girls and 93 women rescued Tuesday. But on Wednesday he said further screening was needed before their identities could be determined.

A counsellor who has treated other women freed from Boko Haram said some had become indoctrinated into believing the group's Islamic extremist ideology, while others had established strong emotional attachments to militants they had been forced to marry.

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LAW REFORM

U.S. court rulings create double standard for 'high crime' areas

When police spotted Freddie Gray and he took off running through his Baltimore neighbourhood, officers made a split-second decision to give chase, setting in motion his death in custody and rioting in the streets.

Fleeing from police is not, by itself, illegal in America, and the U.S. Supreme Court has made it clear that in safe neighbourhoods, people not suspected of criminal activity can ignore a police officer who approaches

them, even to the point of walking away. But courts have set a different standard for places where street crime is common, ruling that police can chase, stop and frisk people if their location contributes to a suspicion of criminal activity. This double standard is having a major impact as more black men die in encounters with police around the country.

Folks who are going to be the most intimidated or scared of the

NEPAL

Long lines for buses out of Kathmandu

The first supplies of food aid began reaching remote, earthquake-shattered mountain villages in Nepal on Wednesday, while thousands clamoured to board buses out of Kathmandu, either to check on rural relatives or for fear of spending yet another night in the damaged capital.

Frustration over the slow delivery of aid boiled over in a protest in the city, with about 200 people facing off with police and blocking traffic.

The protest was comparatively small, and no demonstrators were detained. But it reflected growing anger over bottlenecks that delayed much-needed relief four days after the powerful earthquake that killed more than 5,000 people, injured

twice that many and left tens of thousands homeless. Police, meanwhile, arrested dozens of people on suspicion of looting or causing panic by spreading rumours of another big quake.

Helicopters finally brought food, temporary shelter and other aid to hamlets north of Kathmandu in the mountainous Gorkha District near the epicentre of Saturday's 7.8-magnitude quake. Entire clusters of homes there were reduced to piles of stone and splintered wood. Women greeted the delivery with repeated cries of "We are hungry!"

While the death toll in the village of Gumda was low — five people were killed and 20 were injured among 1,300 residents — most had lost their homes and desperately needed temporary shelter. Adding to residents' misery was the rain that has fallen periodically since the quake and hampered helicopter aid flights.

The UN World Food Program



Volunteers carry bags of food from a cargo truck to an aid helicopter in Majuwa village, near the epicentre of Saturday's massive earthquake, in the Gorkha District of Nepal on Wednesday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

warned that it will take time for food and other supplies to reach more remote communities that have been cut off by landslides.

"More helicopters, more personnel and certainly more re-

lief supplies, including medical teams, shelter, tents, water and sanitation and food, are obviously needed," said the program's Geoff Pinnock.

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INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Australia recalls ambassador as Indonesia executes convicts

Australia said it would withdraw its ambassador to Indonesia after two Australians were among eight drug traffickers executed by the Southeast Asian country on Wednesday, but it was wary of escalating hostilities with its neighbour despite a public outcry.

The executions by firing squad of the eight men — two Australians, four Nigerians, a Brazilian and an Indones-

ian — attracted international condemnation and intense Australian media coverage.

The UN Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights said given that Indonesia has asked for clemency for its own nationals facing execution in other countries, "it is incomprehensible why it absolutely refuses to grant clemency for lesser crimes on its own territory."

But there was unexpected

joy in the Philippines, where the government won an 11th-hour stay of execution for a Filipina woman also on death row on a drug conviction.

Australian Prime Minister Tony Abbott reacted swiftly, announcing that Ambassador Paul Grigson would be recalled this week even before the executions of Myuran Sukumaran, 33, and Andrew Chan, 31, were officially confirmed. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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FLORIDA ON TOP OF THE EYE Daredevil performer Nik Wallenda waves to the crowd below after he walked untethered along the rim of the Orlando Eye, the city's new, 400-foot observation wheel on Wednesday in Orlando, Fla. The walk was done in advance of the attraction's public opening next month. JOHN RAOUX/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Obama cuts back on deportations

ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION

Authorities to focus on those who pose security threat

U.S. President Barack Obama has failed to live up to a campaign promise to push through immigration legislation, but he has met a post-election pledge to slow deportations with or without approval from Congress.

Since October, the Homeland Security Department has sent home the fewest illegal immigrants since Obama took office in 2009, according to internal government data obtained by The Associated Press.

In fact, with 127,000 removals through the first six months of the government's fiscal year that started in October, the administration is on track to remove the fewest immigrants since the middle of former president George W. Bush's second term in 2006.

Beginning shortly before his re-election in 2012, Obama has taken a series of steps to slow deportations, including creating a program to allow some young immigrants to work in the country for up to two years at a time.

His effort to shield more than 4 million immigrants from deportation by expanding that protection program to the parents of U.S. citizens and legal permanent residents is on hold after a federal judge in Texas blocked its start.

But the legal wrangling and an ongoing standoff with congressional Republicans hasn't stopped the slowdown.

In 2012, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) sent home a record of more than 409,000 immigrants, but since then the agency's work has steadily slowed.

The latest figures, contained in weekly internal reports not publicly reported, show that ICE sent home an average of about 19,730 people a month for the first six months of the budget year.

19,730

The average number of immigrants sent home per month during the first six months of the budget year, which started in October.

If that trend continues, the government will remove about 236,000 by September — the lowest figure since 2006, when 207,776 people were sent home.

As the legal fight over Obama's latest executive action continues, Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson has directed immigration authorities to focus on finding and deporting immigrants who pose a national-security or public-safety threat, those who have serious criminal records and those who have recently crossed the Mexican border.

Roughly 11 million immigrants are thought to be living in the country illegally.

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Unequal pay 'pure scandal'

EMPLOYMENT

Pope blasts 'machismo' attitudes on family roles

Pope Francis added his voice Wednesday to the feminist anthem of equal pay for equal work, saying it's "pure scandal" that women earn less than men for doing the same job.

Francis also lambasted the attitude of those who blame the crisis in families on women getting out of the house to work. He said such attitudes are a form of "machismo" that shows how men "want to dominate women."

Francis made the comments during his Wednesday general audience, which he has been devoting to different aspects of family life before a big meeting on family issues in October.

Francis said the "radical equality" that Christianity proposes between husband and wife must bear new fruit.

"We should support with decisiveness the right to equal pay for equal work," he said. "Why is it a given that women must earn less than men? No! They have the same rights. The disparity is pure scandal."

Francis has spoken out frequently about how the Catholic Church in general must give greater value to the "feminine genius" and has called for women to take on greater decision-making roles in the church, though he has ruled out women's ordination or



Pope Francis arrives for his weekly general audience in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican on Wednesday. Francis has recently been vocal about wage disparities between men and women for identical work. ALESSANDRA TARANTINO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

having women head Vatican congregations.

Only about 18 per cent of Holy See employees are women, up from 17 per cent four years ago. Currently, only two women hold the rank of undersecretary in a Vatican department.

While speaking out about the need for a greater role for women in the church, the 78-year-old Argentine Jesuit



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has raised eyebrows with some seemingly tone-deaf comments. He has said Europe in many places resembles

an "infertile" grandmother. He has urged nuns not to be "old maids." And he once welcomed new female members

of the church's most prestigious theological commissions as "strawberries on the cake."

On Wednesday, he came to women's defence. He took the biblical Adam to task for having blamed Eve for having given him the forbidden apple. "It's always the women's fault," Francis said sarcastically. "Poor woman! We must defend women!"

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MCMASTER UNIVERSITY

Female faculty getting pay bump

Female faculty at McMaster University will be getting a raise after a two-year study showed differences in salary between the sexes at the Hamilton, Ont., school.

The analysis found that female faculty members earned, on average, \$3,515 less than their male counterparts in 2012 and 2013 — even after adjustments were made based on seniority, tenure, faculty and age.

"We should have been addressing this, but the issue has come to the fore, we've addressed it, done the analysis and are making the adjustment," said David Wilkinson, the university's provost and academic vice-president.

The pay adjustment will be made on July 1.

The report also recommended updating the harassment policy, ensuring equitable hiring practices and leadership opportunities for women. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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NDP win in West won't bother PM

POLITICS

Chantal Hébert



One does not need to be a particularly astute parliamentary observer to notice the spring in the step of Stephen Harper's MPs these days.

In the wake of a federal budget that they believe will secure the continued allegiance of the voters that gave the party a majority four years ago, the ruling Conservatives are oozing renewed confidence in their re-election prospects.

By the same token, they seem to be taking in stride the unexpected turn of the Alberta election campaign and the possible demise of that province's Conservative dynasty.

It is not that the latest illustration of the time-tested notion that the electorate can undo the best-laid plans of over-confident politicians is not giving some government MPs pause.

Nor are Harper's Conservatives in collective denial over the possibility that the NDP could make a historical breakthrough in their party's heartland.

But federal Conservative discomfort over the Alberta campaign is offset by the fact that — regardless of the outcome of next

week's vote — the dynamics that have turned the election into a three-way battle between the Wildrose, the NDPs and the Tories are not about to be replicated on the federal scene next fall.

What has propelled the Alberta New Democrats to a competitive position is a split on the right between two warring conservative factions, combined with the fact that NDP Leader Rachel Notley decisively dominates her non-conservative competition.

If the recipe sounds familiar, it is a variation on the formula that led to Jean Chrétien's three successive majority victories. The key ingredients at the federal level were the Reform/Tory schism and a federal NDP on its knees after a bruising experience in power in Ontario.

These days the shoe is on the other foot, with three national parties fighting for the territory to the left of a united Conservative party.

A fractured right in Alberta might not bode well for that unity when the time comes to choose a successor to Harper, but it is not a major impediment to the more immediate task of winning a fourth mandate.

Regardless of the ongoing tensions within the Conservative movement, the prime minister can rea-

sonably expect all hands in Alberta to be on deck for his own re-election campaign next fall.

In another contrast with Alberta, the federal Liberals and New Democrats have in Justin Trudeau and Thomas Mulcair leaders with distinct but undeniable skills. That will make it hard for one party to crush the other on the way to uniting non-conservative voters against Harper in the fall.

If the recipe sounds familiar, it's a variation on the formula that led to Chretien's three successive majority victories.

If anything, the campaign developments in Alberta make that federal scenario even less likely.

The emergence of the NDP as a serious contender for government in Alberta reinforces Mulcair's hand at a crucial time in the pre-election calendar.

The Liberal strategy for the fall election is in no small part predicated on driving home the argument that only Trudeau

has a fighting chance to beat Harper. With polls reporting a softening in Liberal support nationally,

that narrative has taken a hit this spring.

The Alberta developments compound that hit. They go some way to counter the narrative that there is simply not a critical mass of voters outside Quebec willing to consider the NDP as a credible governing option.

There are some Conservative strategists who feel that anything that is good for the NDP — including a strong showing against Jim Prentice's Tories in Alberta — is also good for Harper. But that is true only up to a certain point.

Four years ago, fears of a surging NDP drove a contingent of Liberal sympathizers into the Conservative fold. Those voters contributed to making the difference between a minority and a majority Harper victory.

Since Trudeau became leader, many have returned home. The less they fear an NDP government, the less likely they are to jump ship to the Conservatives again.

Moreover, in at least some regions of the country, the wall that the Conservatives assume insulates their vote from NDP inroads may be less thick than they believe.

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ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

metroview

"How can women stay in a faith that demeans them?"

Feminist. Pro-choice. Pro-gay marriage. Catholic.

For this odd cocktail of beliefs, I've often called myself a "bad Catholic." I've sat uncomfortably in a no man's land between the sometimes discriminatory and tone-deaf doctrine of the church, and the faith that I cherish.

But the wonderfully bull-headed feminist activist American nuns and central characters of the new documentary Radical Grace have little time for shame. Their decades-long struggle to drag the Catholic Church into modernity is an act, in the words of Sister Christine Schenk, of "radical faithfulness."

The documentary, which had its world premiere at Hot Docs in Toronto on Tuesday, is a funny, fast-paced window into the battle between U.S. nuns and conservative elements of the Catholic Church over the past four years.

The nuns' aggressive politicking in support of President Barack Obama's Affordable Care Act — which covered family planning — has drawn the ire of U.S. bishops. In 2012, the Vatican condemned the nuns for "radical feminist themes incompatible with the Catholic faith." (If women's equality is "radical," Schenk quips in the film, "guilty as charged.")

The film asks how these women can stay in a faith that demeans their work and questions their spirituality. For that matter, how can I?

But we are far from alone. In the U.S., 60 per cent of Catholics support gay marriage, according to Pew Research polling from 2014. A 2013 Ipsos Reid survey found three-quarters of Canadian Catholics agree women should be ordained as priests, and even more said priests should be able to marry.

The late Sister Jean Hughes, an affable woman who worked with ex-convicts, wonders in the film if she's "propping up an organization that doesn't believe that same things I do."

Or maybe, as U.S. Bishop Thomas Paprocki, appointed by the Vatican to oversee the U.S. nuns, states in misogynistic arrogance, "The question is: Are you still religious? Are you still nuns?"

I put that question to Schenk, but she countered: "Who is drawing the lines?"

"Too many Catholics grew up handing over their own moral conscience decision-making to whatever the Father said," she told me. "That kept them infantile in their faith."

Even progressive Pope Francis — champion of the poor and a more open church — rejects women's ordination.

"He doesn't get it with women, still," Schenk said.

Her vision of the future of my faith is compelling, but the most profound gift of Radical Grace is not that. It's these women, their humour and compassion and their guts, corroborating the truth: I do, in fact, belong.

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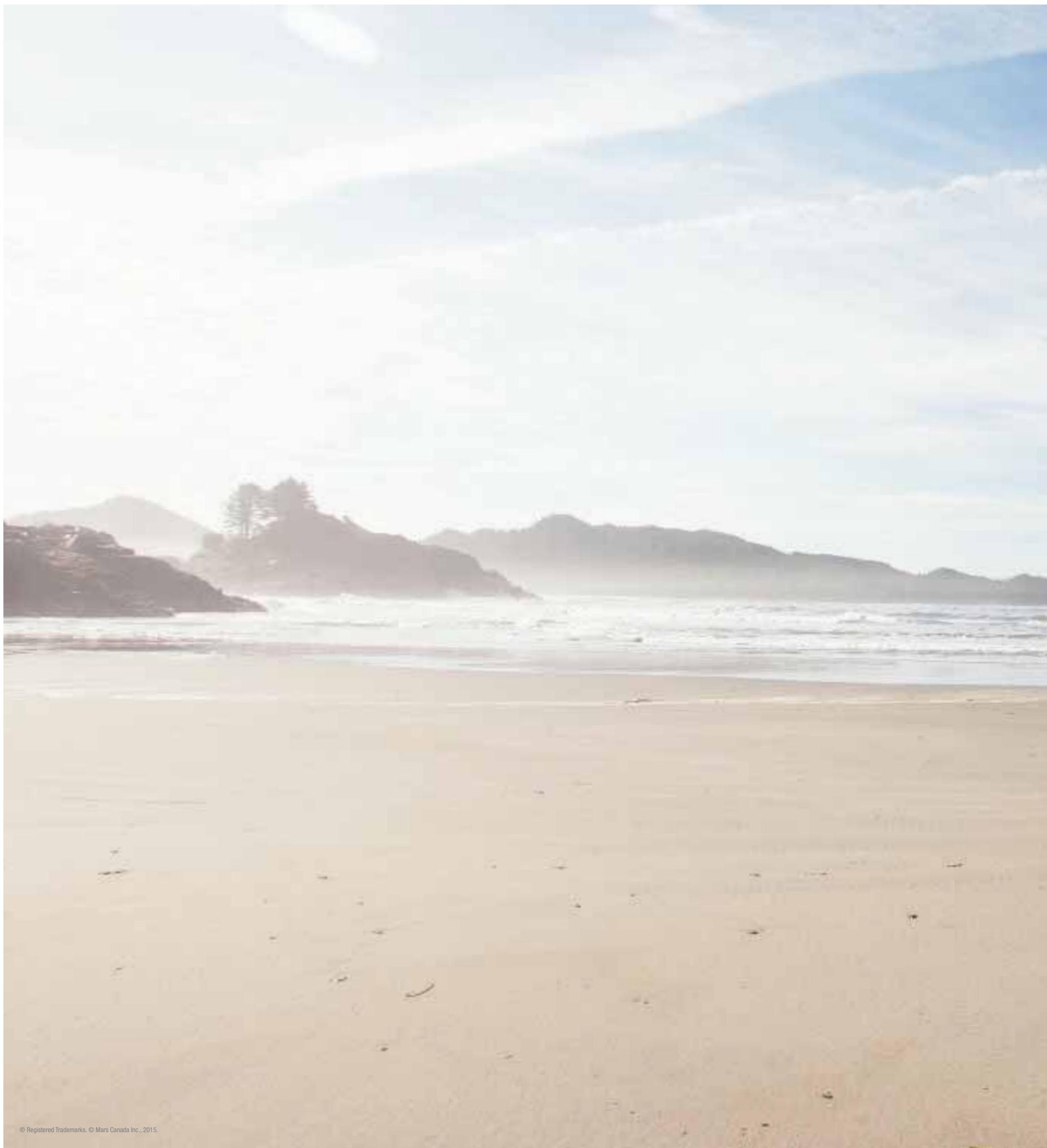
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FAMILY HISTORY

Affleck's ancestry shame not uncommon

Ben Affleck recently admitted he was embarrassed by his ancestral ties to a slave owner, but the Oscar winner is hardly alone when it comes to having a controversial family history.

Unearthing sordid details about relatives is not uncommon, according to genealogists.

"You might find somebody with a criminal record and things like that, but it's personal because it's family — it's your family," said professional genealogist Ruth Blair of Blair Archival Research based in Oakville, Ont.

"There's just great sensitivity to some of these topics."

Affleck expressed regret in a Facebook post for seeking to have the information about his ancestor omitted from an episode of *Finding Your Roots*, which featured the actor and aired last October.

Barry Sheldon, vice-president and lead researcher of Genealogists.com, said no one should look poorly upon Affleck because of his ancestral ties, adding that individuals "can't be held guilty by association."

"We all have something," Sheldon said from Berrien Springs, Mich.

"Slavery was a way of life and it was an unfortunate way of life, at least here in the United States."

In researching his own collateral line, Ontario Genealogical Society president Alan Campbell discovered a man who had enlisted to serve in the First World War but was dishonorably discharged because of frequent drunkenness.

Meanwhile, two of the discharged serviceman's grandchildren went on to serve proudly in the military. "For them, that was a major impact, a disappointment."

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When a library book says your grandfather is a Nazi



Jennifer Teege, author of *My Grandfather Would Have Shot Me*, discovered she was the granddaughter of notorious Nazi commandant Amon Goeth. CONTRIBUTED

GENEALOGY

New book tells of a woman's journey of self discovery

Emily Laurence
Metro | New York

Growing up in Germany, Jennifer Teege knew little about her biological family. Her adoption was open, so she knew the names of her mother and father, and was in sporadic contact with her mother and grandmother until she was seven. But she had little information beyond that.

It wasn't until decades later as an adult that she happened to pull a library book off the shelf, with a photo on the cover that looked vaguely familiar. The book's title, translated to English, was: *I Have to Love My Father, Right?*, and was written by her biological mother.

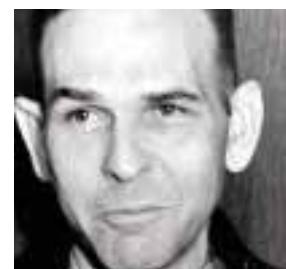
Upon realizing the book was about her family history, Teege also shockingly discovered that her grandfather was Amon Goeth, the Nazi commandant who was played by Ralph Fiennes in Schindler's List.

Metro spoke to Teege about her journey of self-discovery and writing her own recently released book, titled *My Grandfather Would Have Shot Me*.

Do you think growing up in an adoptive family made you more curious about your family history than you would have been otherwise?

I think in general, when you're adopted, there's a piece missing so you always want to find out more. In my case, I was so obviously (adopted) because of the colour of my skin; I looked different from my adoptive family. So there was a part of my identity that I needed to explore.

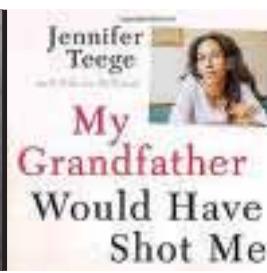
What was it like finding the book, when you discovered this big family secret?



Amon Goeth, left, and the cover of Teege's book. CONTRIBUTED

It was a twofold shock. First, I had this book in my hand about my mother and I hadn't seen my mother in many, many years. Suddenly this book was telling (a story about) my mother I had no knowledge about. The second shock was actually reading the book and learning about her, my grandmother and my grandfather.

After finding the book, you started researching and even reconnected with your mother. What prompted you to keep digging?



That's my personality. It was impossible for me to stop. I think finding out the truth is something someone should do. If feelings come up, you can't just put them in a closet. It will haunt you or come back to you, like a boomerang.

What was it like reconnecting with your mother?

It took me a year and a half to actually contact my mother because in the very beginning I was angry. Not only did my mother never tell me that this book existed, I wasn't even in it. But over time, I realized my

mother was like this because of her past and upbringing. My mother suffered from the past even more than me because my grandfather was her father. But I think it's important to acknowledge this feeling of anger because if you pretend it's not there, it will always come back.

Have you had any memorable responses to the book?

So many. It was important to me that the book was published in Israel and when that happened, people received me with open arms. I got a chance to meet with survivors (of the Holocaust) and that was a very important step in my journey. Also, the book is widely talked about in Germany, a place where the Holocaust is not widely discussed within the families. But I don't feel the need to connect to other descendants of perpetrators. Dealing with that is very individual. I don't let (my ancestry) define me. I can't deny it, but it's only one part.

The Bay unveils patriotic threads

FASHION

Pan Am and Parapan Am collection has a classic varsity look

Track star Jessica Zelinka and champion para-swimmer Benoit Huot were among the athletes modelling the new collection unveiled by Hudson's Bay Co. on Wednesday in Toronto, the host city for the Pan Am and Parapan Am Games.

The retailer, promoting the threads in a lookbook featuring swimmer Katerine Savard and Judoka Sergio Pessoa Jr., was inspired by the Canadian flag's 50th anniversary. The maple leaf symbol was used as a starting point for graphics throughout the line. The 22-piece collection is red and white accented with grey, black and gold.

The line bears similarities to classic varsity sport, while also paying homage to the athleisure trend with garments suitable for both physical activity and everyday casual wear.

The Canada wordmark in a rounded font is prominently displayed on T-shirts, as well as vertically on half-zip jackets and pant legs.

Zip-up red jackets and windbreakers feature the Maple Leaf with stripes on the sleeves.

A red-and-white fringed rally scarf includes the words En Garde (on guard) in bold white block let-



Swimmer Katerine Savard and judoka Sergio Pessoa Jr., left, model Canada's Pan Am Games uniforms. HUDDSON'S BAY/CONTRIBUTED

tering.

With the exception of a few items, the clothing the athletes will wear will all be produced in Canada.

The replica

garments for consumers, however, will be manufactured offshore.

The clothing, priced from \$30 to \$140, is now available in Hudson's Bay stores and online.

The retailer has also designed two limited-edition collections that will be carried in select stores beginning June 1.

Canada is fielding its largest-ever Pan Am Games team of 700 athletes and has set a goal of finishing second in the medals — behind the U.S. — with 160.

Some 6,600 athletes from 41 countries are scheduled to compete in 36 Pan Am sports — including 28 Olympic sports — plus 15 Parapan Am sports.

Toronto and the surrounding area will play host to the Pan Ams from July 10-26. The Parapan Am Games will follow the Pan Ams, running Aug. 7-15.

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NEW RESTAURANTS

Canada's dining scene sizzles

French chef titan Joël Robuchon, who boasts bragging rights to holding the most Michelin stars in the world, has become the latest culinary superstar to set his sights on Canada with the opening of a new restaurant in Montreal.

After Paris, London, Hong Kong, Tokyo, Las Vegas and Singapore, Robuchon has announced plans to open his first Canadian outpost of L'Atelier de Joël Robuchon at the Casino de Montreal.

Citing the city's burgeoning culinary landscape, Robuchon said in a statement that he'd been planning the opening for some time. The Montreal restaurant is set to open its doors in spring of 2016.

In recent years, culinary heavyweights have woken up to Canada's dynamic dining scene and increasingly sophisticated palate.

British food TV star Jamie Oli-



A table at France's La Grande maison, a collaboration between superstar chef Joël Robuchon and wine producer Bernard Magrez. Robuchon, pictured, is opening a restaurant in Montreal. NICOLAS TUCAT/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

Momofuku empire to the city in the same year. Meanwhile, the arrival of several high-profile, elite chefs in Canada could help bring the country out of culinary anonymity.

The reverential red book, the Michelin guide, sends no inspectors to the country, which is also snubbed by the World's 50 Best Restaurants list, a ranking that aims to capture the zeitgeist of the gastronomic world.

To fill the void, local food experts chimed in to create their own domestic ranking, Canada's 100 Best Restaurants, which was published this spring. Topping the list is Toqué! in Montreal.

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TECHNOLOGY

Parents worried kids are 'hooked'

Until now, few studies have tackled the question of how technology is affecting family life and new research says parents wonder if their children would be better off without the mobile devices that have become ingrained in the daily regimen.

The research team conducted in-depth interviews in both one-on-one and small group settings. Caregivers expressed discomfort with the technology in their charges' hands, according to the study, reporting that they felt obliged to purchase tablets for school success. Parents worried about heavy use of the gadgets to the



Parents are concerned that smartphones will reduce their kids' creativity. iSTOCK

point where they described their children as "hooked" or "addicted." AFP

+ GLUTEN BEGONE

Canadians may be losing taste for gluten-free foods

After nearly five years of consistent growth and a tripling of sales since 2009, the gluten-free food category declined last year, according to research firm NPD Group.

"As people started to understand the amount of work it requires to actually be truly gluten-free, I think the benefit started to wane a little bit," says Robert Carter of the Robert Carter of the NPD Group. THE CANADIAN PRESS

STUDY

Research says chewing gum is good for getting a song out of head

Scientists call them earworms — the annoying songs that play in our heads — and chewing gum could be the best way to get rid of them, according to a team at the University of Reading in the U.K.

Sometimes called tune wedges, earworms are a form of involuntary musical memory, says lead author Dr. Philip Beaman.

He says chewing gum is similar to speaking inside your head, the latter of which has been proven to interfere with short-term memory and auditory images.

In the first of three experiments, 44 participants listened twice to the chorus of the song Play Hard by David Guetta featuring Flo Rida and



Chewing gum could be the best way to stop annoying songs from playing in your head, according to new research. iSTOCK

Akon, approximately the first 30 seconds.

They were given no gum, and the first time they were asked to try not to think about the music for three minutes after hearing it, but the next time no such restriction was set.

A computer keyboard was at their disposal in both circumstances and they were asked to press the 'q' key each time they thought of the song.

This was repeated with gum and participants were asked to chew vigorously.

This time, the 'q' key was pressed significantly less.

In the second experiment, 18 participants saw the same conditions with the exception that they were asked to differentiate whether they thought of the song itself or whether it was actually playing in their heads.

Without the gum the song played significantly more times in participants' heads than with the gum.

The study was published in The Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology. AFP

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NO PRESSURE

Drew not having this baby weight nonsense

Two-time mom and longtime actress Drew Barrymore has had it up to here with the focus on how quickly new Hollywood moms can drop the old baby weight.

"It takes nine months to build, and it is going to take at least nine months to unbuild. It took a year for me to snap



back, and I am not even there yet," she tells Radar Online. "These pressures are just silly and ridiculous. It think it is just crazy to worry about that."

So, you know, stop making everybody look bad, Blake Lively and Zoe Saldana. Sheesh.

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SEQUEL

Bieber hones his Blue Steel for Zoolander 2



Ben Stiller confirmed a big cameo on Instagram. CONTRIBUTED

I was really getting excited about the upcoming Zoolander sequel, but now? I don't know. Ben Stiller confirmed via an Instagram pose-off that Justin Bieber will be making a cameo in the film.

And while no details were provided about his character, I can't help but notice a striking resemblance between the two. And, you know,

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Derek Zoolander did have an infant son at the end of the first film — one with some Blue Steel talents of his own. Bieber could totally pass for 15, right? Except that role is already taken by actual teenager Cyrus Arnold. So maybe Papa Zoolander has another, slightly older son he wasn't previously aware of?

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development of her two children.
"You don't really know how (your career) affects

ing (your kids) until they're adults and they say, 'You ruined my life, Mom!'" she offers. "Maybe they want me to be a stay-at-home mother who bakes chocolate-chip muffins all day. (But) I'd probably want to start a chocolate-chip muffin company, you know?"

So suck it up and save it for therapy, kids. And no crying!

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Your essential daily news

A cheese fondue inspired designer Satsuki Ohata to create the Fondue Stool.



That '70s style era comes back

DESIGN CENTRE

Karl Lohnes



Bold wallpaper, brass metallics, psychedelic patterns, shag carpeting, anything handcrafted (think macramé) and tech-inspired plastic furniture inspire a trend 40 years in the making.



1 Overarching Floor Lamp with Brass Finish

The perfect lamp to accompany a groovy sectional sofa. \$329, WestElm.com

2 Lawrence Llewelyn-Bowen's Kinky Vintage Flocked Velvet Wallpaper

Bring your sexy back. \$125/roll, GrahamBrown.com

3 Magical Thing's Macramé Wall Hanging

Hung over a doorway or a window, makes macramé a true '70s legend. \$169, UrbanOutfitters.com

4 Jorg Boner's Oyster Collection

Modu1lar, sleek and very cool. From \$1,550, AvenueRoad.com

5 Scavo Dinnerware

The look of handmade affordable style. From \$4, CrateAndBarrel.com

6 Kartell's Componibili Table

The perfect side table or storage cabinet for the bath. \$216, Elite.com

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1 Ronan and Erwan Bouroullec

The brothers, based in Brittany, France, presented their Officina collection, created a series of tables and chairs in collaboration with Italian design house **Magis**. They worked with forged metal to create objects whose imperfect appearance fits the spirit of the design. Ronan Bouroullec adds that "This is a hybrid project in that we use a pretty artisanal technique to create a rather industrial project."

STUDIO BOUROULLEC



2 Bruno Moinard

The man responsible for Cartier's stores and the upcoming Qatari Galeries Lafayette is collaborating with **Chevalier**, specialists in contemporary rugs. He presented New Orleans, five coloured rugs with crosshatched patterns.

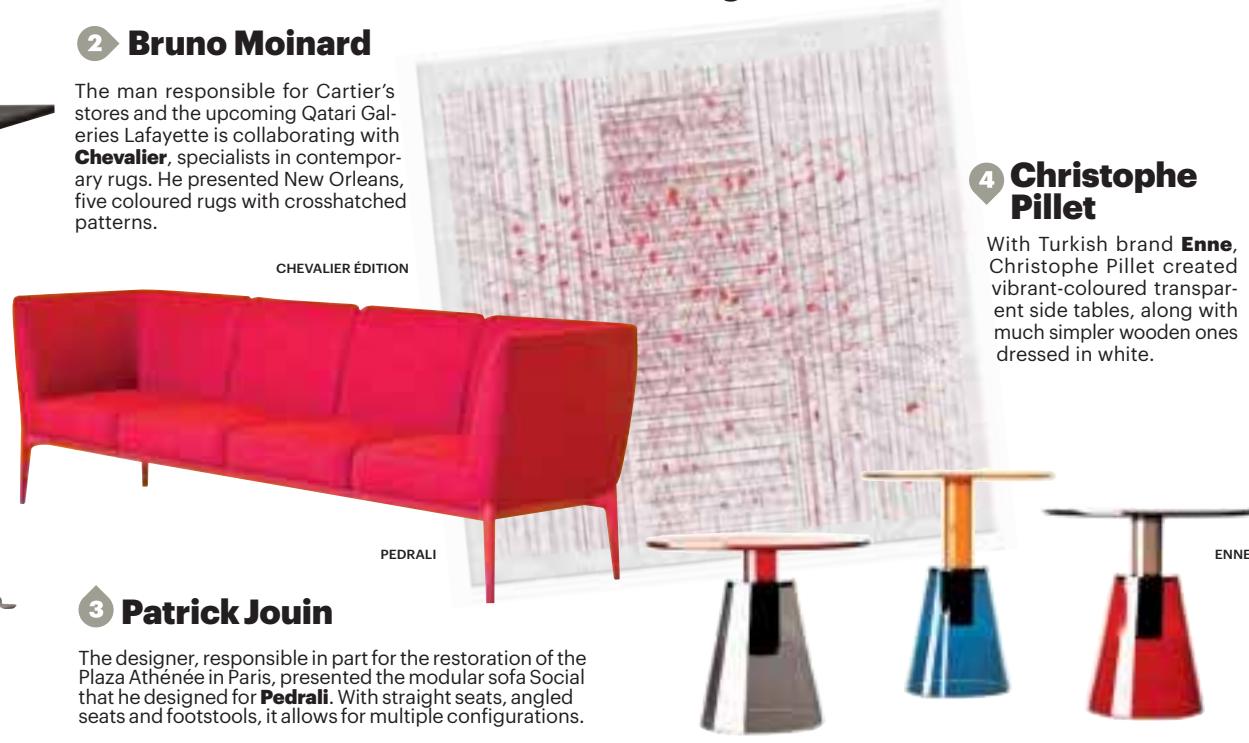
CHEVALIER ÉDITION



3 Patrick Jouin

The designer, responsible in part for the restoration of the Plaza Athénée in Paris, presented the modular sofa Social that he designed for **Pedrali**. With straight seats, angled seats and footstools, it allows for multiple configurations.

PEDRALI



4 Christophe Pillet

With Turkish brand **Enne**, Christophe Pillet created vibrant-coloured transparent side tables, along with much simpler wooden ones dressed in white.

Kitsch inspires furniture trend

DECOR

Eye-catching colours and shapes show retro spirit

Between flashy colours, bold shapes and mass-produced materials, the kitsch furniture trend combines a touch of retro style with unbridled exuberance.

Shimmer

For Glas Italia, Spanish designer Patricia Urquiola has created the Shimmer line, which includes coffee tables, shelves and mirrors with an iridescent multi-chromatic finish.



Shelves from the Shimmer collection by Patricia Urquiola for Glas Italia. GLAS ITALIA

sized radically colourful and festive designs, representing a radical departure from the rigorous minimalism of the Bauhaus tradition.

Available in opaque or transparent glass, the pieces change color depending on the viewing angle and surrounding light sources (pricing available on request).

Memphis

Founded in the 1980s by Italian designer Ettore Sottsass, the Memphis Movement emphasized

colours (pricing available on request).

Glider

For Moroso, Israeli designer and architect Ron Arad designed the Glider, a rounded sofa made from a single piece of sculpted foam and upholstered in red-to-purple gradient fabric for an out-of-this-world appearance (pricing available on request).

Gemma

Also for Moroso, Polish-American architect Daniel Libeskind designed the Gemma armchair, a multi-faceted object that calls to mind a gemstone, or the geometrical shapes seen in the tapestries of the 15th century (pricing available on request).

Mondrian-inspired seating

Dutch designer Marcel Wanders designed an armchair in red, blue, yellow and white foam for the design brand Moooi. With its black outlines, the chair calls to mind the work of the Dutch painter Piet Mondrian (pricing available on request). **AFP**

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Indoor and outdoor living are always better with a bit of green.

"A beautiful yard is an extension of your living space," says Carla Hyrcyna, co-owner and president of St. Mary's Nursery in Winnipeg. "It's your outdoor haven and an expression of your lifestyle, and we can help you design and install it."

The garden centre and landscape company, now celebrating its 30th year, has provided commercial landscape services for more than 30 years and has the knowledge and expertise to install or renew any green space, boulevards to parks.

Over the years, St. Mary's Nursery has become the go-to place for everything garden-related: annuals, perennials and trees, garden statuary and accessories, and home decor, fashion and gourmet.

"Our garden centre is a creation of living displays that change with the colorful seasons in Winnipeg," Hyrcyna says.

The shopping experience at St. Mary's is a sight to behold. "Our visitors love walking through our greenhouses. We have more than 65,000 square feet of perennials, annuals, trees, shrubs and tropical houses, so it's like being in a huge, living museum."

The annuals section at St. Mary's is bursting with colour, offering a full array of plants from the traditional geraniums to the latest trends.

"The choices are endless," says Hyrcyna. "That's why our experts are always around to help answer all our customers' questions and help them decide on the best plants and gardening products for them," says Hyrcyna.

For more information and to browse the plant finder, visit stmarysnurseryandgardencentre.ca, or visit in person at 2901 St. Mary's Road, two kilometres south of the perimeter highway. Or call 204-255-7353.



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Townhomes offer an ideal lifestyle

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Home to an abundance of conveniences including a growing Village Centre, an upcoming school, and plenty of walking trails and wetlands, Sage Creek is a warm and vibrant community located off of Lagimodiere in South East Winnipeg.

Sage Creek offers close proximity to the Perimeter providing easy access for cottage country-goers, and other major routes provide a short drive to both St. Vital and Regent shopping areas, and about 15 minutes to downtown and post-secondary institutions. It is all around an ideal place for first-time home buyers to settle in.

Just a short walk from the Village Centre you'll find StreetSide's Bluestem townhomes, featuring modern, livable floor plans perfect for every buyer. Why choose a townhome condo? It offers a unique lifestyle that provides the comforts of a detached house, including garages, private patios, and spacious multi-level living, with the ease of maintenance and affordability of a condominium. You can spend

more time living, and less time keeping up your home, without sacrificing room to grow.

"Each townhome comes with a generous front wood porch and a spacious sun balcony, so residents get to enjoy entertaining outdoors without the work or hassle that comes with maintaining a yard or shoveling the driveway," says StreetSide's sales and marketing manager Jessica Willis.

"From our Cedar plan at 1,046 square feet, to our Tamarack at 1,552 square feet, we've made sure to build floor plans that are suited to a variety of buyers. We have young, first-time homebuyers who love the space and value they get with the cedar, including a single attached garage."

"Professionals, families, and downsizers appreciate the extra features of the tamarack, like the 12-foot kitchen island and double attached garage. In between, we have other sizes and layouts that offer the same great living experience, but allow buyers to choose a floor plan that



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feels right for them" says Willis. Interiors are classically stylish, with a variety of designer-selected finishing packages showcased in quick-possession homes.

"Our buyers just love the townhome lifestyle. Within the last year we have sold out of two similar townhome projects at

Bridgewater Forest, and StreetSide was very excited to bring such a successful design to Sage Creek."

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Antares Luxury Suites is a hotel in downtown Winnipeg that is transitioning to an all-residential building of impeccably appointed studio, one- and two-bedroom suites for residents with discerning tastes.

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Soaker tubs and rain showerheads in the bathroom ensure residents can have their own private spa experience every day.

Located at Smith and St. Mary, Antares is a conversion of the former Place Louis Riel Hotel.

"Antares has the bones of a first-class residential community, with freshly refurbished



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suites designed specifically for young singles and couples who want to live, work and play in the heart of the city," says Ekeen Saad, leasing manager of Antares Luxury Suites.

At Antares, your location is second-to-none in Winnipeg. Antares is located just steps away

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Some of the best luxuries lie in services and experiences.

At Antares Luxury Suites, the suite of amenities that are currently being built provide residents a rare sense of community and connection.

When you come downstairs, catch up with your neighbours over a coffee at the residents lounge and activity room. If you like cooking, you can host your friends here using the chef's kitchen. Catch the Jets game after your meal on the room's HDTV screens.

The Internet café with high-speed Wi-Fi access gives residents the opportunity to catch up on their email. Antares is downtown Winnipeg's fastest high-speed-Internet-wired rental building.

When you need to hold a meeting, do it in the business centre with its professional meeting rooms.

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Chelsea is three points off the Premier League title after a win over Leicester

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IN BRIEF

Ovechkin, Price, Tavares named Hart finalists

Washington forward Alex Ovechkin, Montreal goalie Carey Price and New York Islanders forward John Tavares are the finalists for the Hart Memorial Trophy as the NHL's player most valuable player.

Members of the Professional Hockey Writers' Association submitted ballots at the end of the regular season, with the top three designated finalists and announced Wednesday. The winner will be announced June 24 during the league's awards ceremony in Las Vegas.

Ovechkin scored 53 goals to top the NHL for the third straight season and fifth time overall. Price led the NHL in wins (44), goals-against average (1.96) and save percentage (.933). Tavares, meanwhile, had career highs in goals (38) and points (86).

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Ramirez powers Red Sox to series win over Jays

Hanley Ramirez hit a two-run homer, Rick Porcello held Toronto to one run over seven innings and the Boston Red Sox beat the Blue Jays 4-1 on Wednesday night.

David Ortiz and Mookie Betts had RBI singles for the Red Sox, who took the three-game series after losing their previous two.

Koji Uehara struck out all three batters in the ninth for his fourth save.

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Wiggins to be named rookie of the year: Source

A person with knowledge of the situation tells The Associated Press that Minnesota Timberwolves forward Andrew Wiggins will be named NBA rookie of the year Thursday.

The person spoke Wednesday on condition of anonymity because an official announcement has not been made.

After coming to the Timberwolves in the trade that sent Kevin Love to Cleveland, Wiggins averaged 16.9 points and 4.6 rebounds while playing all 82 games in his first season. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



We all know everything the city is going through.... You have to go out there and do something that would be good for the fans.

Orioles starter Ubaldo Jimenez

It was just a surreal environment. I really don't think we want to play in another one like this. I don't think they do, either."

White Sox manager Robin Ventura

MLB O'S, WHITE SOX PLAY INTO THE VOID AT CAMDEN YARDS The cheers from the small group of Orioles fans gathered outside the locked gates beyond centre field echoed throughout an empty Camden Yards every time the home team scored a run. There was no roar of the crowd inside the ballpark. In what was believed to be the first major league game played without fans in attendance, Chris Davis hit a three-run homer in a six-run first inning Wednesday and the O's beat the Chicago White Sox 8-2. The game was closed due to safety concerns following the recent violence in Baltimore after Freddie Gray, a 25-year-old black man, died of a spinal-cord injury under mysterious circumstances in police custody. PATRICK SMITH/GETTY IMAGES

Big money win, lose or draw

BOXING

Paydays take centre stage in Mayweather-Pacquiao fight

His middle name is Money, or at least it used to be before Floyd Mayweather Jr. stopped flashing \$100,000 wads of cash every time he saw a camera.

That doesn't mean money is ever very far from his mind. Certainly not now, when he's the richest man in the richest fight ever.

Mayweather has spent as much time this week talking about the mansion in Las Vegas, the home in Miami and the private jet that seats 14 than he has about Manny Pacquiao. He even figured out the math when it comes to dividing it up among his kids.



Floyd Mayweather Jr., left, and Manny Pacquiao couldn't be brought to scowl for photos at a news conference on Wednesday in Las Vegas. JOHN LOCHER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

“
I think we can outpoint this guy. If a knockout comes it will be a bonus.
Freddie Roach,
Manny Pacquiao's trainer

weather said, "and a \$20 million fight for him."

The frenzy for the boxing's biggest event of the century continued to build Wednesday, even if the two fighters themselves were very subdued. They appeared at a final prefight press conference with nothing bad to say about each other, and couldn't even bring themselves to scowl for pictures.

If the past five years were personal, with the two camps trading barbs, the fight itself

is not. Pacquiao will be fighting for his legacy and a country desperate for him to win, while Mayweather will be fighting to add to his already substantial bank accounts.

That was apparent when Mayweather was asked if being undefeated was the biggest motivation for him. "At the end of the day my daughter can't eat no zero," Mayweather said of his unbeaten mark.

Money shouldn't be a problem for the Mayweather family after this fight. Not with total revenue of some \$300 million — and possibly more if the pay-per-view is the hit that network executives privately think it will be.

Mayweather won't be the only one getting rich. Pacquiao will also share in the \$120 million or so his side will pocket for the fight, beginning with a \$25 million cheque from promoter Bob Arum the night of the fight. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Building on the progress made

VIEW FROM THE 300S

Andrew 'Hustler' Paterson



There was a mix of disappointment and optimism around the Winnipeg Jets last week as the players cleaned out their lockers and met with the media for the final time this season.

The disappointment was to be expected after a quick exit from the Stanley Cup playoffs, with the Jets being on the wrong end of a four game sweep at the hands of the Anaheim Ducks.

On the other hand, it was apparent what the team achieved and experienced this season was the just beginning of a long journey to being a true contender in the NHL.

Listening to the players speak before going their separate ways, it was obvious the playoff experience had given the group a sense of excitement of what is possible in the future in Winnipeg, but also a tough lesson on what it takes to win beyond the regular season.



Change is inevitable for the Jets next season but top prospects like Nik Ehlers (centre) will be challenging for starting places and should enhance the squad as Winnipeg aim to build on this season's achievement

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It was also the final time many would speak as members of the Winnipeg Jets.

With six unrestricted free agents up front (Frolík, Stafford, Stempniak, Thсты, Slater, Halischuk), the forward group will certainly look different next year.

Some will re-sign and others will go elsewhere.

At the same time a talented group of young players will be knocking on the door for jobs with the Jets at training camp, including top prospects Nik Ehlers, Nic Petan and Andrew Copp.

Barring any trades in the offseason, the blue line should not change much, with only Adam Pardy headed for unrestricted free agency and a few talented young players including 2013 first rounder Josh Morrissey challenging for jobs with the

big club.

With two first-round picks in the June draft and one of the top collections of prospects in the NHL, the Jets' youth movement will continue, but you can only add so much youth to a team in one year. Many of these future

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jets will gain pro experience in Winnipeg, but playing for the Jets AHL affiliate which will also play out of the MTS Centre next October.

The Jets showed this year they had taken a big step forward by making the playoffs for the first time in Winnipeg.

The 99-point regular season was a 15-point improvement on the previous campaign. It took every last point to qualify for the post season in the toughest division in hockey.

The challenge now for the Winnipeg Jets is to continue the momentum for next season and get back to the playoffs again. This is easier said than done — just ask the Colorado Avalanche or the Dallas Stars. Jets GM Kevin Cheveldayoff is already getting down to business on that and has a lot of work ahead of him this summer.

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RECIPE Chicken and Cheese Tortellini with Pesto



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This is a delicious and tasty meal for the entire family. Tortellini is a favourite for even the pickiest of children. The chicken gives them the protein they need, and most kids like pesto especially if you add extra Parmesan cheese.

Ready in

Prep time: 5 minutes
Cook time: 15 minutes
Serving size: 4

Ingredients

- 4 oz boneless chicken breast (about 1 breast)
- 12 oz tortellini
- 1/3 cup pesto
- 2 Tbsp grated Parmesan cheese

Directions

- In a small, nonstick skillet lightly coated with cooking spray, add the chicken and sauté for 4 minutes per side or just until no longer pink. Let cool, then dice.
- Meanwhile, boil the tortellini for 8 minutes or until just tender. Drain and place in a serving bowl. Add the chicken, pesto and Parmesan cheese and toss well.

Nutrition information per serving

- Calories 354
- Protein 20 g
- Carbohydrates 41 g
- Fibre 1.8 g
- Total fat 12 g
- Saturated fat 4.9 g
- Cholesterol 56 mg
- Sodium 548 mg

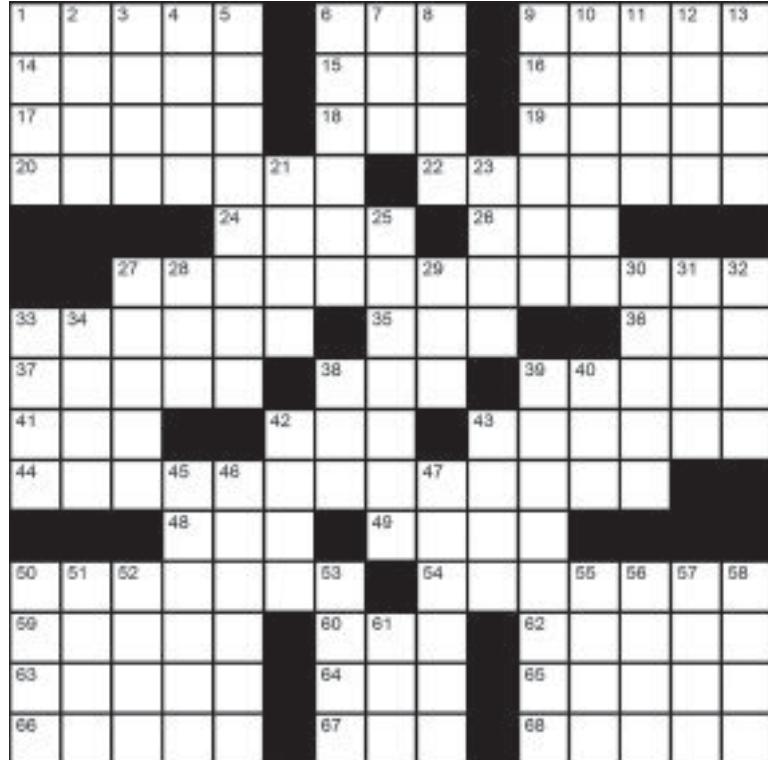
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CROSSWORD Canada Across and Down

BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN

ACROSS

- Mont _ (Highest Alps peak)
- More, in Madrid
- Nimble
- Juliet's beloved
- English cathedral city
- Olympic legend Ms. Comaneci
- Forest floor finding
- CNN's sister station
- Wedding wear
- Wedding gown fabric
- John _ portrayer of #59-Across' love interest
- Stops
- Ess follower
- Author of new handbook The Wedding Expert: 400 Things You Need to Know to Plan Your Big Day: 2 wds. (More at #66-Across!)
- Inclines
- Rug kind
- Expend
- Also: French
- Nightfall
- Outspoken
- Ms. DiFranco
- Poet's 'previously'
- Support
- Stag: 2 wds.
- Ocean, e.g.
- _ sign (Real estate posting)
- Has ambitions
- "The Wedding



- " (2001) starring Jennifer Lopez
59. As per #39-Down... Nia's character
60. Coffee alternative
62. Depart
63. Well-__ machine
64. Listener

65. Hall & __
66. Today's __ (Canadian magazine for which #27-Across is the Editor-in-Chief)
67. "Tsk!"
68. Like the empty wallet's money

DOWN

- Bric-a-__
- Scottish lake
- Quant __ (For my part, in French)
- Hasbro toy brand
- Tossed fun celebrating the newlyweds
- Henna-on-hands artwork

- Entirely
- Spike show, "Lip __ Battle"
- Ms. Martin, portrayer of #59-Across' aunt
- Idea: French
- Wedding guests compilation
- The __ Coast

- Belonging to Toronto's li'l province
- Other: Spanish
- Some catering staff
- General
- Nav. designation
- TTFN
- Fortunate
- Biblical twin
- Puppy's protest!
- Fashion designer Elie
- Moon goddess
- 'Ranch' suffix
- Nia __ Canadian writer/star of "My Big Fat Greek Wedding" (2002)
- Libran's mo.
- Montreal pronoun
- Grand event
- Heralded
- __ (Online brokerage company)
- Andy Warhol's realm: 2 wds.
- Getting from __ __ (First step's progress)
- Evening: French
- Dog with a cord-like coat
- Proofreading term
- Tide type
- Decorator Mr. Berkus
- __-steven
- Inactivity
- Water: French

* IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

Aries March 21 - April 20

A problem will most likely resolve itself if you stop worrying about it so much. Mercury's imminent change of sign will help you to focus your thoughts on more constructive issues.

Taurus April 21 - May 21

You have come a long way in a short space of time and will go even further over the next few weeks. But first make sure you are still on the right track. Don't lose sight of your long-term goals.

Gemini May 22 - June 21

Your ruler Mercury moves into your sign tomorrow and within a matter of hours you will feel the difference in a number of ways. Put the past behind you once and for all and focus only on the bright days to come, of which there will be many.

Cancer June 22 - July 23

No matter what happens today you must remember at all times and in all situations that you are not a victim. You alone have the power to change things for the better. Be positive at every turn.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23

For too long now you have been worrying about your career, your reputation and your place in the world and neglecting the things that bring you happiness, such as friends and family and travel. It's time to restore a more sensible balance.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Career matters will take a turn for the better over the next few days but to make the most of events you will need a positive attitude. Get rid of those feelings of inferiority.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Despite what some people might believe you rarely think only of yourself and you will get the chance to prove it over the next two or three days. You are at your best when fighting on the side of truth and justice. But always fight fair.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

You may resent having to pay for something that you feel is yours by right but don't make an issue of it. If you manage to change things you may find others deny you in other ways out of spite.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

A dispute of some kind will come to the boil over the next few days but in a way that's good because all these negative feelings are not doing you any favours. Once the air has cleared you can move on again.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

It is one thing to dream but quite another to turn dreams into reality. Start thinking now about how you can take practical steps to make your current dream come true.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

It does not matter how many things have gone wrong in the past, the things that really matter will start to go right as from tomorrow when mind planet Mercury moves in your favour. Believe that life is worth living – and it will be.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20

If you have something important to say you are advised to keep it short and sweet. The people you have to deal with, especially at work, will lose interest quickly if you spin things out too long.

CONCEPTIS SUDOKU by Dave Green

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